

# **NETHER LANGWITH PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES**

**of the Virtual Zoom Meeting of the Parish Council held  
on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

**Present:** Councillor M Evans in the chair  
Councillors D Ball, L Malkan, R Stockton, G Watmough, T Watmough and M Middleton.  
District Councillor Kevin Dukes  
Mary Welch Parish Clerk

There were no members of the public present.

### **1. Apologies**

There were no apologies.

### **2. Declarations of Interest.**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **3. Minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> October, copies of which had been previously circulated to members were confirmed as a true record and will be signed by the Chairman.

### **4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

#### **a) Vacancy**

An application for co-option had been received from Janet Vida Smith. Councillor Ball proposed she be co-opted, with four councillors in favour, two against and one abstention. The clerk was asked to do the necessary formalities.

#### **b) Update on the allotment land at Kitchener Terrace and discuss a way forward**

Councillor Middleton reported that there has still been no update.

#### **c) Village Hall - Health and Safety**

The hall still cannot be used as there is no access at the back. Councillors asked about discretionary grants, Councillor Dukes reported that it depends on the model criteria which if you meet this you get the money. The clerk was asked to check with the Business Support Team at Bassetlaw.

#### **d) Village green – Trees**

The clerk reported that permission has been obtained and arrangements are being made.

#### **e) Village Sign**

Councillor Middleton reported that the pictures have been sorted and circulated. He had received a telephone call from the other contractor yesterday who explained we are at the top of the list. Both of the signs would be mounted on wooden posts and Councillor Middleton said these were cheaper if obtained locally and would cost roughly £200 for the post and £200 for installation. Councillor Middleton was asked about the funding and confirmed that £3000 would come from reserves and £3000 would be paid from Nottinghamshire County Council after the purchase of the sign. Councillor Malkan preferred the fibreglass sign and councillors unanimously agreed to purchase this sign.

#### **f) Seats**

Councillor Middleton has three quotes for timber which had been circulated. The cheapest and nearest is from Worksop. Councillor Middleton confirmed that this would also be matched by the Nottinghamshire County Council grant. When asked for a breakdown of the cost Councillor Middleton explained that a resident has offered to do the work without charge so the only addition would be the cost of materials.

#### **g) River Poulter**

Councillor Middleton reported on the project and the tender received for the work. Councillors agreed that the walls need repairing and the cost of underpinning would be £5600. Councillor T Watmough asked for confirmation that the County Council would pay half of the money if the work was done by March and Councillor Middleton assured him that this was the case. It had previously been agreed not to touch the paddling pool. Councillors agreed to the underpinning on both sides of the river to be completed and they will meet to look at the weir as it was only agreed at the last meeting to remove rough edges

At the back of the hairdressers two big tractor tyres were reported to be blocking the river, the clerk was asked to write to the owners of the kennels.

#### **h) Street light fixings/temp. electricity supply**

Councillors agreed that the quote received was too much.

#### **i) Winter Service**

The clerk asked if this has been received yet. Some bags were seen today at the side of the village green.

#### **j) NLPC Action Register**

This has been circulated and councillors need to feed back to Mary to update

Richard and Dawn need contracts and a meeting needs to be arranged to move forward with this.

The newsletter has been delayed the next one will be November.

Something will be put on Facebook after this meeting regarding Remembrance Day.

#### **k) Neighbourhood Plan**

It was agreed to put this on hold until after lockdown.

## **I) Defibrillator**

Costs of maintenance have been circulated and were discussed; Councillors agreed the clerk should write to the pub asking if they would be willing to have one on their wall for us.

## **5. Correspondence**

Correspondence has been circulated.

## **6. County and District Councillor's Report**

The Chairman has spoken to Councillor Greaves about the blocked culvert as a matter of urgency, Councillor Greaves will discuss this with VIA and come back to us. Councillors suggested we contact the drainage authority about the problems which have been worse this year, Councillor Dukes will pass on contact details to the clerk.

The local plan is coming out for consultation at the end of the month and it is important as a community that we look at it and see how it affects the neighbourhood plan.

Councillor Dukes has been very occupied in the move to tier 3 the full lock down. There are four grants to be administered details will be on the website when released.

The review of the neighbourhood plan will look at housing needs, Councillor Stockton pointed out that last time extra housing was discussed villagers were against it.

Councillor Greaves has arranged for the gullies on Queens Walk to be reinstated.

## **7. Finance**

To approve any payments made or due.

### **a) Cheques to be signed**

It was **resolved** to approve the following payments.

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
R Busby	Wages	£418.60
M Welch	Wages	£193.05
D Wakeling	Wages	£87.20
HMRC	Tax	£156.60
SLCC	Membership	£45.00

The handyman has asked the clerk to get him a new rake, councillors agreed this be ordered.

### **b) Bank Account**

The clerk has received a card and pin but is still unable to use internet banking the bank are ringing back to sort this.

### **c) SLCC**

The clerk's membership is due for renewal £180 a year which can be split between her four councils, councillors agreed to pay £45 towards this.

**8. To consider any highway and related matters.**

**9. To consider New Business**

**a) Clerk's Contract/Salary**

Councillor T Watmough proposed the clerk's salary be increased to point 17 and that her contract be renewed for 12 months in line with guidance he had received from NALC, this was unanimously agreed.

**b) Handymans Holiday Pay**

The handyman has requested holiday pay as he hasn't received any. The clerk had asked for advice from the County Association who recommended we pay 11.2 weeks with 2.3 weeks left this year, councillors agreed to pay this and to put his holiday in the new contract. Councillor Stockton asked if he could be reminded to take any remaining leave near the year end.

**c) HGV Traffic**

Complaints have increased in the number of HGVs in the village from Welbeck Colliery. Tetron are sending wagons through the village. A complaint has already been made, numbers of plates have been taken and will be passed on. Nine lorries were seen to go through the village between 7 and 8 am.

**10. To consider any planning matters.**

**a) New Applications**

There were no new applications.

**b) Decisions**

There were no decisions.

**11. To allow a ten-minute open forum (if required) for any members of the public to speak on matters affecting the Parish.**

Councillor Stockton reported that a car has been obstructing the pavement forcing pedestrians into the road, further details will be obtained.

**12. To approve the date and time of next meeting Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 19:00 hours.**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.45p.m.